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In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, Applicants
 hereby bring to the attention of the Examiner the following information.

The following documents were cited in an International Search Report with respect to
 International Patent Application No. PCT/JP2005/006490, of which the present application is the
 U.S. National Stage Application. A copy of the International Search Report has been filed
 concurrently with the present application and should thus have already been brought to the
 attention of the Examiner.

(1) UEHARA et al., "DTV Global Platform no Kaihatsu" (Development of a DTV
 Global Platform), Matsushita Technical Journal, February 18, 2004, Vol. 50, No.
 1, pages 2-6, together with an English language translation of the same;

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- (2) European Patent Publication No. EP 1 102 169 A1, along with patent family member Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2001-142869 A, together with an English language Abstract of the same;
- (3) U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0222877, along with patent family member Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2004-005287 A, together with an English language Abstract of the same; and
- (4) KIMURA et al., "Software deno Jitsujikan Shori o Jitsugen shita Minseiyō Shori Processor 'Media Core Processor'" (Media Processor for Multimedia Consumer Products 'Media Core Processor'), Matsushita Technical Journal, April 18, 1999, Vol. 45, No. 2, pages 99-106, together with an English language translation of the same.

The relevance of the documents cited in the International Search Report, as ascertained with respect to the international claims by the International Examiner, is set forth in the International Search Report.

Applicants further bring to the attention of the Examiner the following documents.

- (5) Texas Instruments Incorporated, "TMS320DM642, Video/Imaging Fixed-Point Digital Signal Processor," page 4. Applicants note that this document is cited beginning at page 1 of the specification of the above-captioned application; and
- (6) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. HEI 10-275135 A, together with an English language Abstract of the same, and patent family member U.S. Patent No. 5,977,997.

Further to 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (a)(2)(ii), copies of the U.S. patent publications are not enclosed herewith. However, if any copy is needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to

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Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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